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PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
HIDEYUKI TERASHIMA ET AL. ) : Examiner: Not Yet Known  
Application No.: 09/410,100 ) : Group Art Unit: 2722  
Filed: October 1, 1999 ) :  
For: IMAGE READING DEVICE ) : January 20, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under  
37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under  
37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is  
directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form  
PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the  
following U.S. Application:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
09/410,101	10/1/99	2722

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), no  
copy of any cited U.S. Application is enclosed.

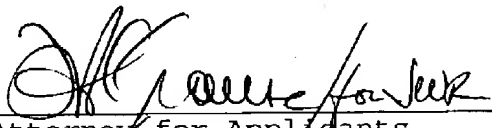
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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		5,579,129	11/26/96	Iwata et al.	358	474	
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